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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

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2. Copy of PTO-1449 originally submitted with Information Disclosure Statement filed July 5, 2002;
3. Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate A Provisional Double Patenting Rejection Over A Pending "Reference" Application;
4. Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate A Double Patenting Rejection Over a "Prior" Patent;
5. Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a);
6. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038); and
7. Return postcard.

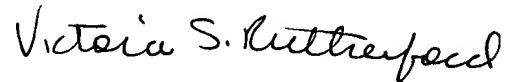
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